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Applicant: Mitch B. Hein et al.

Title: NOVEL EPITHELIAL TISSUE
TARGETING AGENT

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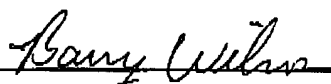
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Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed August, 29, 2001. Accompanying the Amendment is a request for an extension of time of five months to reply to the Office Action. Accordingly, this Amendment is timely filed.

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-28, 30, 31, and 36-41 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add new claims 42 to 72 as follows:

42. (New) A composition for delivery of a biological agent to a basolateral factor of an epithelial surface, said composition comprising a targeting molecule linked to at least one biological agent, wherein said targeting molecule comprises a J chain or portion thereof that specifically binds to a basolateral factor, wherein said targeting molecule does not comprise a full-length immunoglobulin, and wherein said biological agent is not native to the targeting molecule and is not iodine.

43. (New) The composition of claim 42 wherein said targeting molecule is covalently linked to said at least one biological agent.